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Young victim of Texas floods inspires Daniel Island brothers to act

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When disaster strikes, people are often left feeling helpless and hopeless.

The devastation caused by the July 4th tragic Texas floods that killed 135 people, including campers and staff from Camp Mystic, left survivors, family, and friends questioning what, if anything, they could do to help.

Two young Daniel Island boys, 13-year-old Colton Salta, an eighth grader at the Daniel Island School, and his younger brother, 10-year-old Callahan Salta, a fifth grader at Christ Our King, searched for an answer to help.

The Texas tragedy affected the boys personally, as Renee Smajstrla, the niece of their uncle and aunt, lost her young life in the floods at Camp Mystic.

According to her parents, Calvin and Catherine Smajstrla, Renee was doing what she loved most during the summer, attending Camp Mystic. She spent her days laughing with friends, traversing trails, and sharing stories of faith.

In those cherished moments, she was filled with the warmth of community and pure joy the camp inspired. To honor Renee's vibrant spirit and love for the camp, her parents created the Renee Smajstrla Memorial Fund, a loving tribute to the young camper who lost her life way too soon.

The parents hope to give other young children the same experiences that defined Renee's time at camp. The memorial will help children across Texas attend faith-based camps by providing financial assistance, enhance facilities, and provide camper scholarships.

The boys decided to raise money for the Renee Smajstrla Memorial by setting up a lemonade stand at Smythe Lake on Daniel Island. Callahan felt the stand would be the best way for them to help.

"My uncle's niece died, and I wanted to raise money for her memorial fund. We have seen our friends raise money before through lemonade stands."

The two siblings secured $2,360.71 in donations. Colton was ecstatic with the outcome.

"When I saw the total amount of money me and my brother raised, I was thrilled, and it brought joy to my heart. My cousin Harper is the cousin of Renee Smajstrla, and he was heartbroken when he found out that she passed. I wanted to bring joy to my family."





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Left: The late Rene Smajstrla, pictured here at Camp Mystic, lost her life in the devastating floods in Texas. Right: Callahan and Colton Salta raised more than $2,300 from lemonade sales, donating all proceeds to the Renee Smajstrla Memorial Fund.

The brothers' parents are incredibly proud of the boys. Brian Salta is in awe of the generous Daniel Islanders who came together to help his sons.

"Their effort to raise money for such a meaningful cause shows maturity and empathy. Experiences like this will hopefully inspire them to continue giving back. They couldn't believe the amount they raised for the Renee Smajstrla Memorial Fund. We hope this is just the beginning of a lifelong commitment to helping others."

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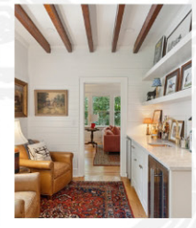
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Vandals paint a swastika on Philip Simmons school bus, cause other damage

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The following incidents were taken from the City of Charleston Police Department's crime reports within Patrol Team 5 which covers Daniel Island, Clements Ferry Road, and parts of Cainhoy, July 16-31, 2025.

TRAFFIC ARREST

On July 16, an officer patrolling Clements Ferry Road and Cainhoy Road stopped a vehicle that was obstructing a pedestrian crosswalk.

While speaking to the driver, the police officer observed a clear bottle containing a brown liquid, half full, and labeled as spiced rum. The driver admitted that he also had THC wax in the vehicle. A check revealed that the suspect's driver's license was suspended for Driving Under the Influence.

He was issued a citation for Driving Under Suspension, and a family member took possession of the vehicle.

ABANDONED VESSEL

Harbor Patrol placed a derelict tag on a white, double-masted sailboat located in the marshes of the Cooper River on Daniel Island.

The vessel is known by the Charleston Police Department as a problem vessel due to its previous history of failing to comply with permit ordinances and for previously dragging an anchor in the Cooper River. The sailboat is stranded aground in the marsh and was observed sitting on its keel on July 20.

The officer is attempting to locate the owner, who was traced to an address in Asheville, North Carolina.

ASSAULT

On July 25, a fight broke out during a concert at Credit One Stadium on Seven Farms Drive. An off-duty officer who was working at the event was advised by staff that a physical disturbance was occurring near the sound booth on the back floor area.

The victim was hit multiple times on the face with a closed fist after a verbal confrontation occurred, which was corroborated by witnesses.

Police arrested the suspect and charged him with assault and battery in the third degree.

DRUG/NARCOTICS VIOLATION

An officer was patrolling Clements Ferry Road on July 26 when he observed a vehicle with expired decals pull into a gas station. A query confirmed that the vehicle's registration and decal expired in June 2024, and the registered owner has a suspended driver's license.

When approaching the vehicle, the officer noted the odor of marijuana and questioned the driver. An inspection of the vehicle revealed two bags of a green, leafy substance in the center console, weighing 17 grams, and a digital scale concealed inside the foam of the driver's seat.

Two citations were issued, and the vehicle was towed from the site.

VANDALISM/BURGLARY

On July 29, Team 5 responded to Philip Simmons High School on River Village Drive in reference to a burglary and vandalism that occurred over the weekend.

An officer met with an assistant principal, who stated that three male suspects entered the property on July 26 and broke into the maintenance building located by the athletic fields.

Inside, the suspects retrieved cans of orange spray paint and vandalized the building's floor with illegible writing. A basketball rebounder, sidewalk, and parked school buses were also sprayed. The suspects entered the buses and painted swastika symbols on one of the seats.

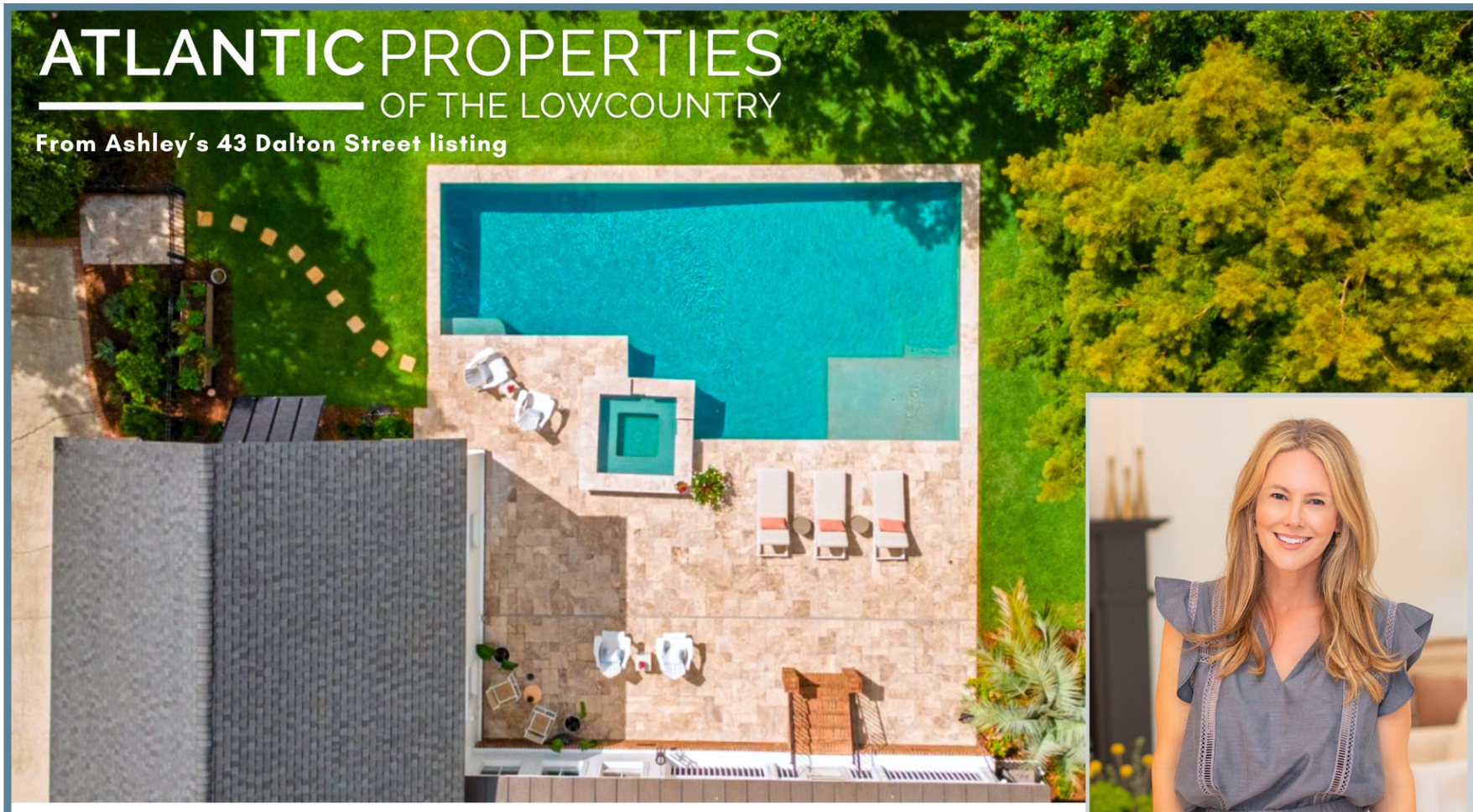
Cameras positioned inside of the school buses were painted over. Surveillance footage captured their last movements around 3 a.m. when they exited the property and walked toward a nearby subdivision. Investigators plan to follow up with a review of the camera footage.



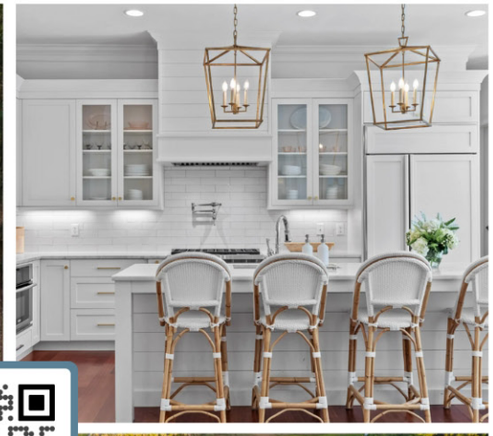


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STEVE FERBER

In your most important relationships, do you have an equal voice?

I always thought that compromise was a good thing. But after delving into the involuted world of relationships, I'm beginning to view the concept differently.

Don't get me wrong. I still value the ability, but I'm beginning to realize, as Michele Mendoza at michelemendoza.com points out, "While compromise may sometimes be necessary in relationships, it is important to recognize that it is not always the best solution."

What is?

Mendoza favors collaboration. "The key difference between compromise and collaboration," she says, "is that compromise involves each person giving up something to reach a mutually acceptable solution, while collaboration involves finding a solution that meets both people's needs and desires."

Mark White at psychologytoday.com weighs in: "Little compromises are natural and unavoidable, but be careful not to give up too much of what is important to you for the sake of a relationship that should help to affirm who you already are."

How much compromise is healthy?

That's the question posed by Emily Blatchford at huffpost.com, who speaks about fairness and equity. "Fairness is closely linked to intimacy," she said, "How? Because in a compromised situation you are sending a partner a message of how much you are thinking of them in terms of putting their needs before yours."

Robert Taibbi at psychologytoday.com advocates for each party having an equal voice. Accordingly, he urges us to avoid: 1. Going along; 2. Giving in and expecting a payoff; and 3. Pre-compromising.

Pre-compromising? It's when both parties fail to share their No. 1 preference, for fear it'll be promptly rejected, and instead share No. 2 and No. 3. The sad part, Taibbi notes, is that in so doing, neither party really knows what the other truly wants or needs.

A few voices from the field:

Teal Swan at tealswan.com on compatibility: "Compatibility is when two things (even if they are different) are able to occur or exist together in alignment without problems and without conflict."

Margaret Paul at yourtango.com on resolution: "Resolution occurs when you develop a joint resolution, and neither of you feels you are compromising yourself or your integrity."

Liane Davey at lianedavey.com on optimization: "I think it's okay to compromise if that compromise can honestly be described as optimizing the situation." Too often, she argues, we think, "I'm just going to sub-optimize the whole situation because I don't have the time or the energy or the skills to fight for things that are worth fighting for."

We return to Taibbi, who urges us not to simply give in. "Moving through relationships and life is a matter of compromise but not giving in. The skills are knowing what you want, advocating for what's important, and then being willing to make concessions so the other person feels heard and respected."

Our final words are a wonderful reminder from the desk of Terrie Lewine at getbacktolife.org who shares, "Everyone's needs matter equally."

If only.

Are you blocking progress in the workplace?



management moment

DOUG DICKERSON

In case you missed it, there's a story about a bull moose that has spent the better part of the summer lingering around a popular Adirondack mountain hiking trail, prompting New York state wildlife officials to close the path.

Attempts to coax the moose from the trail have failed. Experts say an "underlying illness influencing behavior" was suspected. Wildlife staff were recently able to get close enough to observe the moose's behavior but did not find any obvious signs of disease.

Hopefully, the moose will make a recovery, but its location on the trail is a mystery for officials and a disappointment to those who would like to complete the hike to the summit of the Goodman Mountain Trail.

The moose is representative of those in your organization who stand (or sit) in the way of progress. Others are attempting to move forward, but there is a hurdle that is impeding progress.

What does that look like in your workplace?

A SETTLERS' MENTALITY

Within your organization, there may be those with a settlers' mentality. There may be people who have been around in your organization for a years. Perhaps they've enjoyed success and risen through the ranks. But now they are settling. Maybe they simply want to run out the clock until they retire.

The settlers' mentality is hard to overcome because they are set in their ways, and the change they once embraced is now the change they resist.

While their contributions and service need to be honored, a settlers' mentality will only block present and future progress. Others can't proceed and climb to new heights so long as the settler is blocking the path.

SILOS, TERRITORIAL DISPUTES

According to the Workplace Institute, 32% of conflicts occur between management levels, and conflicts among senior leadership and executives account for 20% of all reported incidents. Approximately 22% of conflicts occur between line managers and their direct reports, and 88% of respondents in the survey report observing poor morale among employees affected by conflict.

Conflict blocks the path to success. When leaders in management have to devote more time to conflict resolution, it hinders the team's ability to succeed.

Silos and territorial disputes are the proverbial bull moose on the trail, and they're harming everyone.

NEGATIVE ATTITUDES, APATHY

Nothing will poison the culture of your organization quicker than negative attitudes coupled with apathy. When you combine a negative attitude with a lack of buy-in or pride in one's work, it blocks progress.

As a leader, you must root out negative attitudes within your ranks. It's sucking the life out of your organization. And what you tolerate, you promote.

Apathy, stemming from a lack of commitment or work ethic, must also be addressed. Progress is best made not when you are carrying team members with negative attitudes with you to the summit, but when you decide you can climb higher and faster without them.

Many other factors can contribute to progress being blocked in your organization. Facing up to them is just the first step to overcoming them. Commit yourself to being a leader who empowers those around you and does not stand in the way of progress.

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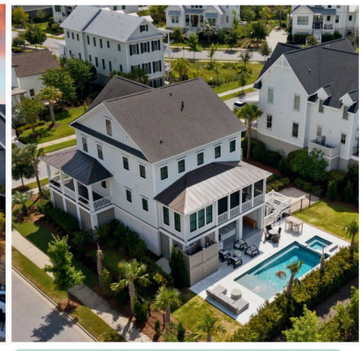
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Teachers say the no-cell-phone policy is reshaping the classroom

‘No heads are looking down at screens’

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When South Carolina implemented its no-phone policy in January 2025, some predicted chaos.

What happened instead, many teachers say, was a transformation.

“I thought it would be hell,” said Clements Ferry resident Tori Diiulio, who teaches at Wando High School. “But I was delighted with how quickly the kids adapted.”

The statewide policy, mandated by a legislative budget proviso, requires K-12 students to keep personal electronic devices, including cell phones and smartwatches, powered off and out of sight during the school day.

Failure to comply could result in in-school suspension, parent conferences, or behavioral contracts, but Berkeley County School District officials said they opted to focus instead on education over punishment.

“We really want our students in class and engaged in meaningful instruction,” chief administrator Shameka Washington said when introducing the policy at a Jan. 6 school board meeting.

For Lexie Benardot, an art teacher and Renaissance Lead at Philip Simmons Middle School, the change was instant.

“The no-phone policy has been a dream,” she said. “Students stay focused in class, and hallway exchanges continue to be smooth. No heads are looking down at screens. Smiles and high fives are a welcomed replacement.”

Benardot said her students had questions at first, especially about staying in touch with parents after school.

But students adjusted quickly once they realized they could still use their phones after dismissal.

“Many of my students commented that they felt less stressed during the school day knowing they didn’t ‘have to’ focus on their phone for peer approval or keeping up appearances,” she said.

Diiulio saw similar improvements. “The engagement in my art class went up dramatically – they had no choice but to participate,” she said. “Most students agreed they could have been spared some kind of embarrassment had the policy been in place at a younger age.”



BCSD

Some area teachers say the statewide cell phone ban in schools has led to better student focus and fewer distractions in class.

Although some students tried to skirt the

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Not everyone is onboard with cell phone ban

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rules by pretending to store away old or broken burner phones to appear compliant, teachers like Diiulio took it in stride.

"They'd forget it when they left the classroom, so it was easy to tell who was putting a fake phone on the wall," she said.

At Cainhoy Elementary, where phones were already restricted before the policy, fifth-grade teacher Edward McNeil said the transition was seamless but still significant.

"I'm in support of this policy," McNeil said. "I believe the students have many daily distractions, and reducing those has a positive impact on teaching and learning.

The shift isn't just in the classroom. At home, parents say their kids feel calmer, more connected, and easier to reach, without a screen in the way.

"My son is more talkative after school," Daniel Island mom Melanie Hart said about her seventh grader. "He used to come home drained. Now he actually has stories from his day."

Another Daniel Island parent, Mark Whitman, said his son seemed "more present" compared to the previous semester, before the phone ban. "He was no longer constantly checking his phone the second he walked in the door anymore. It made our evenings better, too."

Still, not everyone is convinced.

"I worry about emergencies," Clements Ferry parent Kelly Davis said. "Not being able to text my child if there's an incident feels like an accident waiting to happen."

But educators argue that emergency communications should come through the school to avoid panic and misinformation.

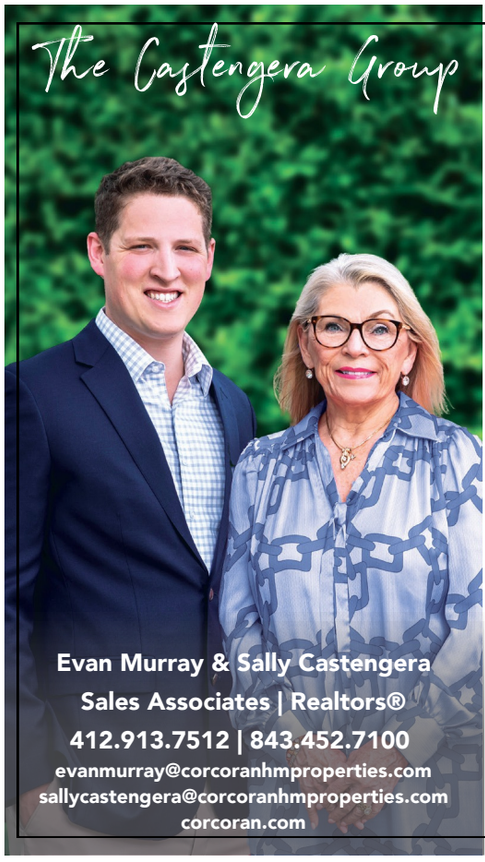
"A phone-free school encourages a culture where students are free to immerse themselves in the learning environment and develop as individuals who can express themselves through meaningful conversations," Benardot said.

With the 2025-26 school year about to begin, most teachers aren't expecting resistance; they're expecting results.

"I'm looking forward to having engaged students again," Diiulio said. "And working toward encouraging less screen time in general."

Benardot considers the phone ban a clear success. "The policy works, and I hope it's here to stay."





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Meet the Teacher at Daniel Island School is Monday, Aug. 11, and staggered by grade: kindergarten and first grade: 3-3:45 p.m.; second, third, fifth, and eighth grades: 4-4:45 p.m.; fourth, sixth, and seventh grades: 5-5:45 p.m.

BACK TO SCHOOL 2025



BEHS

Welcome back, Bishops! Orientation kicks off Monday, Aug. 11, for freshmen and sophomores and Tuesday, Aug. 12, for juniors and seniors.



BCSD

Philip Simmons Elementary, recognized as a 2024 School of Distinction, is ready to welcome students back for the 2025-26 school year.

Ready for the bell: principals share plans, priorities, and positivity

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The countdown is on!

Next week, students across Berkeley County will trade in their beach days for backpacks as the 2025-26 school year kicks off.

Whether it's buying those final supplies, resetting routines, or savoring the last days of summer, families are gearing up for the return to class.

Six schools serve the Daniel Island and Cainhoy Peninsula area: Daniel Island School, Cainhoy Elementary, the three Philip Simmons schools, and Bishop England High School.

Berkeley County schools begin Wednesday, Aug. 13, while Bishop England High School starts Thursday, Aug. 14.

To help families prepare, The Daniel Island News checked in with each school's principal to find out what's new – from staff changes to fresh programs and initiatives. Read on for everything you need to know before the first bell rings.



Daniel Island School Principal Laura Blanchard

DANIEL ISLAND SCHOOL

With summer winding down, Daniel Island School is gearing up for another exciting school year – one that promises fresh faces, enhanced communication tools, and a continued focus on community.

"Families will be glad to hear that some things are staying consistent, while a few key updates will help enhance communication, safety, and student experience," DIS Principal Laura Blanchard said.

The school day schedule remains unchanged, with the first bell at 7:45 a.m. and students able to arrive as early as 7:15 a.m. Elementary students will gather in designated areas, while middle schoolers report directly to class.

Clubs and extracurricular activities will also continue to thrive on designated days, offering students a chance to explore interests beyond the classroom. "These provide wonderful enrichment opportunities," Blanchard said.

Over the summer, DIS underwent several behind-the-scenes improvements. The school's public address system received a full upgrade to ensure clear, reliable building-wide communication. The custodial team also worked hard to refresh the facility to ensure a welcoming, polished environment for the first day.

Teachers are also preparing for the implementation of South Carolina's new state math standards. "Our teachers began preparing for this transition last year by unpacking the standards and working collaboratively to develop a comprehensive scope and sequence," Blanchard said. "This careful planning ensures that instruction is aligned, focused, and ready to meet the needs of all students."

The school will kick off the year with a series of welcome events designed to help students and their families feel prepared and supported. Highlights include:

Kindergarten Roundup: Saturday, Aug. 9. This PTA-sponsored event at the DIS garden helps the school's youngest learners feel connected and confident before the first day.

Meet the Teacher: Monday, Aug. 11. Families will visit classrooms, meet staff, and drop off supplies during staggered time slots by grade level. Kindergarten and first grade: 3-3:45 p.m.; second, third, fifth, and eighth grades: 4-4:45 p.m.; fourth, sixth, and seventh grades: 5-5:45 p.m.

Curriculum Night: Aug. 25 and 26. This event offers parents an in-depth look at learning expectations and classroom routines.

The PTA will also host a coffee gathering for parents after drop-off on the first day – "a great chance to connect with other families and get involved," Blanchard said.

Blanchard said DIS is fully staffed and excited to welcome several new educators, including Mackenzie Foster (Grade 3), Elizabeth Rainey and Nicole Braun (Grade 4), and Veronica Steele, who will lead the cross-categorical classroom. Peggy Kirkland also joins as the new cafeteria manager.

Principal Blanchard emphasized that her main goals remain grounded in building a supportive school culture. "We are deeply committed to helping each student reach their full potential – not just in the classroom, but as individuals who are confident, compassionate, and resilient."

Her advice for students?

"Come prepared, stay engaged, and treat others the way you want to be treated. How you show up each day truly matters. Take pride in the small, daily choices that build a strong, supportive school community. Soar Ospreys!"



Bishop England High School President Patrick Finneran

BISHOP ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

As Bishop England High School prepares to welcome students back on Thursday, Aug. 14, for the first day of the 2025-26 school year, President Patrick Finneran says the school is entering the year with strong momentum and some exciting changes.

"Over the past two years, Bishop England has added several new courses to meet the needs of our students," Finneran said.

New offerings include AP Computer Science Principles, AP Physics, AP Statistics, Anatomy and Physiology, Stagecraft and Design, Principles of Engineering, Theology of the Body, and America at War.

"These courses help diversify the options and needs of our students as they prepare for post-high school success," he said.

The academic schedule will continue to include the flex period model alongside traditional seven-period days. Students can also look forward to a wide range of extracurricular opportunities, with more than 40 clubs and 23 varsity athletic teams offered again this year.

Before classes officially begin, here are some dates to remember:

Orientation for freshmen and sophomores: Monday, Aug. 11.

Orientation for juniors and seniors: Tuesday, Aug. 12.

Day of Mercy and Freshman Retreat: Wednesday, Aug. 13. This is a signature event that reflects Bishop England's commitment to service and spiritual growth.

"Students in grades 10 through 12 will spend the day serving the community," Finneran said.

Two special events will follow later in the month:

Bless the Bishops: Wednesday, Aug. 20, 6 p.m., hosted by the athletic department

Parent Visitation Night: Wednesday, Aug. 27, 6 p.m.

"Bishop England High School's main priority continues to be the development of the whole child: body, mind, and soul," Finneran said. "Our goal is to prepare our students for college, the workforce, and Heaven."

The school is fully staffed for the year. New faculty includes Carly Dougherty in the Math Department and Dr. Gisele Losier in World Languages. Administrative changes include Matt Parry stepping into expanded curriculum responsibilities following the retirement of longtime Academic Dean Nancy Heath, and Caitlin Morris taking over as director of counseling.

As for what he's learned as an educational leader, Finneran said, "It takes a team of people to prepare for the upcoming school year. It is my job to support them."

His advice to students heading into the first day?

"Enjoy the last few days of summer, and remember that school is an opportunity for you to improve and grow."



Philip Simmons Elementary School Principal Michael Huff

PHILIP SIMMONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

As the 2025-26 school year approaches, Philip Simmons Elementary School is embracing growth, collaboration, and creativity – starting with a few key changes designed to improve the experience for students, staff, and families.

Principal Michael Huff shared that while start and dismissal times will remain the same, families will notice improved morning logistics.

"We will now run a double car rider line to help ease congestion, and all golf carts will be required to go through the car line instead of entering from the side of the building," he said.

A major shift this year involves the full transition of fifth grade to the elementary side of campus. "This shift will allow for greater collaboration across grade levels and ensure a more cohesive elementary experience for our students," Huff explained.

Academically, third through fifth grade students will be introduced to a new Core Content team teaching model. "Students will receive instruction from one teacher for ELA and another for math and either science or social studies," Huff said. "This creates opportunities for deeper content knowledge and stronger teacher-student relationships."

To further enhance instruction, the school has partnered with ArtsNow to provide professional development focused on integrating the arts into all subjects. "We're proud to partner with ArtsNow to enhance creativity, engagement, and cross-curricular learning in all classrooms," Huff said.

The school is also gearing up for several back-to-school events to welcome students and families:

Kindergarten Pops in the Park: Monday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m.

Meet the Teacher: Monday, Aug. 11, from 5-7 p.m.

PTA Welcome Back Picnic: Thursday, Aug. 28, from 5-7 p.m.

Huff said his top priorities this year are focused on student engagement, strong instruction, and fostering a positive school culture. "We want every student at Philip Simmons Elementary to feel seen, heard, and loved, but also challenged to be their best," he said. "Whether it's mastering foundational skills, collaborating with peers, or exploring their creativity, we hope our students grow not just academically, but also socially and emotionally."

The school is fully staffed for the upcoming year and welcomes several new hires, including new teachers across first, fourth, and fifth grades, as well as additions in P.E., special education, and resource roles.

Reflecting on his leadership journey, Huff shared an insight that helps guide each new school year.

"One surprising lesson I've learned as a principal is just how powerful small moments can be," he said. "A quick check-in, a smile at morning drop-off, or a high-five in the

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BACK TO SCHOOL 2025



BCSD

Philip Simmons Middle teachers are all set to welcome students back with energy and new ideas for a great year ahead.

hallway can completely shift a child's day, and often mine too."

To his students, Huff offered words of encouragement: "Come with a positive attitude, an open mind, and a willingness to try your best. The first day is a fresh start… and remember, everyone is cheering you on. You've got this!"



Philip Simmons Middle School Principal Charla Groves

PHILIP SIMMONS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Philip Simmons Middle School is heading into a milestone year with big changes and even bigger goals.

"This will be our 10th year in operation, so we will be celebrating the milestone throughout the year," said Principal Charla Groves. "This will also be our first year with just grades 6-8 as the district restructured our grade band structure. Fifth grade students will now attend Philip Simmons Elementary School."

The 2025-26 school year officially kicks off on Wednesday, Aug. 13. Other important dates include:

Meet the Teacher night: Monday, Aug. 11, 5-7 p.m. Families are invited to the school with staggered times based on last names. Those with last names M–Z should arrive from 5-6 p.m., while those with last names A–L are scheduled for 6-7 p.m.

Groves encouraged students to come prepared. "Students are encouraged to print their schedules from PowerSchool to bring to Meet the Teacher."

As the school moves into this celebratory year, its focus is squarely on student success.

"This year, all BCSD schools' focus will be 'Accelerating Achievement for All,'" Groves said. "We will ensure continued growth in student achievement with a school-wide focus on data-driven instruction, including weekly data analysis and planning meetings and strengthened Multi-Tiered System of Supports for students."

Staffing is strong at PSM, and several new faces are joining the Iron Horse team. "We are fully staffed with teachers and are excited to welcome the following individuals to the PSM family," Groves said. The new hires include:

Kamelio Johnson, assistant principal

Evan Haight, band director; Colleen Martin, resource teacher; Kathy Frink, eighth grade ELA and science; Connie Finkelstein, eighth grade social studies; Renee Howell, learning lab and yearbook teacher.

For Groves, preparing for a new school year comes with a valuable mindset: flexibility. "While not necessarily surprising, I learned long ago to be flexible and expect the unexpected," she said. "I remind myself every year to be ready for anything and communicate, communicate, communicate."

As students gear up for their return to class, Groves offered a few practical tips to start the year off right. "Get organized early. Pack your backpack the night before with all your supplies," she advised. "Be open and friendly! Smile, say hello, and introduce yourself. Everyone's nervous on the first day, even if they don't show it."

She also encouraged students to speak up. "Ask questions. Don't be afraid to ask for help if you get lost or don't understand something in class. Teachers are here to support you."

Most importantly, Groves wants students to approach the year with optimism. "Believe in yourself. This is a fresh start. You're capable of more than you think, and with the right mindset, this can be your best year yet."



Philip Simmons High School Principal LaTanya Butler

PHILIP SIMMONS HIGH SCHOOL

As students at Philip Simmons High School gear up for the new school year, they'll be welcomed by a new face at the helm.

LaTanya Butler, the school's new principal, is bringing over a decade of leadership experience and a heart for high school education to the Iron Horse community.

"I have always loved high school," Butler said. "I began my administrative career at Goose Creek High School in 2014. There I fell in love with the role of school administration because I was able to help students discover creative avenues to reaching their goals."

Butler said she is passionate about supporting students through both academic and personal challenges.

"I love to work with families through difficult times and help them find both personal and academic solutions for their students. High school has always been my passion because I love being able to see students through to the final steps of their education," she said.

Butler will be taking over former Principal Chris Buchholz's position, who has led PSH since 2020. Joining her on the administrative team this year is a new assistant principal, Kory Dollinger, who is replacing former assistant principal Michael Wilkerson. With the leadership team in place, Butler said her goal this year is to refine and strengthen the already strong foundation at PSHS.

"This is a great school, and no major changes are needed," she said. "As an admin team we have been looking for those subtle changes that we can implement that will improve on the great work that



BCSD
Students, get your first-day outfits ready and backpacks packed – the new school year at Philip Simmons High is just around the corner!

has been taking place, but there won't be many major changes this school year."

Among the areas Butler hopes to improve are parent communication and professional learning community protocols in end-of-course subjects.

"Hearing from some parents and students, I would like to improve our parent communication," she said. "Though PSH seems to have highly engaged stakeholders, I would like to work to build upon the strong foundation that has been laid. I hope to work with our parent and student stakeholder groups to increase the pride and school spirit of PSH."

Academically, Butler wants to ensure students continue to thrive in the classroom and that teachers feel supported and empowered.

"I believe working to improve the consistency of our professional learning communities will strengthen our already strong academic foundation," she said. "I am excited to also listen to teachers and students about other programs that we can bring to the PSH community to enhance our student experiences."

Butler noted that the school is fully staffed in all certified teaching positions, adding that it's a strong start to the academic year.

As a leader, she brings both professional expertise and deep personal care for her school community.

"I believe every child is entitled to a quality education," she said. "I hold each teacher to the standard that I expect for my own three children, and I lead with the heart of a mother and a professional educator."

To the students, Butler offers a message of encouragement: "Strive for your best… not perfection! My hope for each student at PSH is for you to be your best, and that is enough! I am so excited to serve each and every one of you this year."



Cainhoy Elementary School Interim Principal Cynthia Bise

CAINHOY ELEMENTARY

Cainhoy Elementary School is gearing up for the 2025-26 school year with a familiar face in a new leadership role.

Cynthia Bise, a 31-year veteran of the Berkeley County School District, has been appointed as interim principal, and she's ready to lead the school into its next chapter.

"I was assigned by the district due to my various roles I have held throughout my 31 years in BCSD," Bise said. "I'm most excited to return to Cainhoy in a principal role. I'm eager to continue the academic growth that has been seen at the school and to bring some new, fresh ideas that will lead our elementary children to be highly competitive beyond their years at Cainhoy. We may be little, but our Tigers can compete with anyone."

Though Bise stepped into the role in late summer, her vision is already forming.

"We have some big ideas for our students, and we can't wait to get input from all stakeholders," she said. "We are changing some daily routines within the school that will allow more time for reading, math, small groups, and focusing on individual needs."

While no major initiatives have been officially announced yet, the school day schedule remains consistent with last year.

Arrival and dismissal times will stay the same, following district guidelines. Another important date:

Open House: Monday, Aug. 11, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Cainhoy families will have a chance to meet the new principal and their teacher.

As Bise steps into this new leadership role, her top priority is clear: supporting the success and well-being of Cainhoy students.

"My main priority is to do what is best for the students of Cainhoy by creating a future they dare to imagine and to make positive differences in their lives," she said.

"We will continue to reach for academic gains, and we also plan to offer them more opportunities that extend beyond the classroom. We want them to be excited to get up each morning and come to school each day!"





BCSD
Tigers, gear up! Time to pack supplies and get ready to roar for the first day at Cainhoy Elementary.

The school is expected to be fully staffed by the time students return, and Bise is optimistic about the team of new educators joining the Cainhoy community.

"We are excited for our new hires because they too will bring new ideas and inspiration to CHES," she said.

Bise is no stranger to the Cainhoy community. She previously served as a reading coach at Cainhoy Elementary/Middle and brings both professional experience and a personal commitment as a parent.

"My first passion has always been children," she said. "Just as I trust Berkeley County schools to ignite a passion for learning in my own son, I hope to do the same with the children of the Cainhoy community."

As students prepare to head back to school, Bise offers a joyful message to start the year on a high note. "Be ready to dance, sing, and love coming to school each day!"

DI School students dream big, advocate for inclusive playground

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On an ordinary school day, recess can be a blur of running feet, squeals of laughter, and the rhythmic creak of swings.

But for some students with disabilities, the playground can often be a place just to sit and watch.

This fall, as Daniel Island School students return for the 2025-26 school year, a recently installed play area may now give all students a chance to play – together.

In May, the school officially cut the ribbon on its brand-new inclusive playground, a colorful, sensory-rich space that officials hope will reflect more than just new equipment but also reflect the compassion and leadership of the students themselves.

It all started with a question.

"(The) DIS' student council became concerned for classmates, like those in wheelchairs, who did not have access to a playground and asked what they could do," said Josh Whitley, former Berkeley County Councilman for Daniel Island. "Principal (Laura) Blanchard and I encouraged them to dream up a solution and come present to county council."

That solution turned into a powerful presentation by the DIS Student Council, led by eighth-grade president Emily Hughes, who asked the county in February 2024 for $72,000 to help create a playground that would be accessible for all students.

"We're interested in making recess accessible to all students," Hughes told council members. "We see kids with wheelchairs who sometimes get left out of recess or cannot physically use the equipment we currently have… and we want that to stop."

The presentation by Hughes struck a chord. Instead of $72,000, the council unanimously voted to approve $100,000 and ultimately allocated a total of $200,000, funded through the county's hotel accommodations tax.

"Council was so moved that we allocated more than double what was requested," said Whitley, who was a council member at the time. "The flooring, which allows wheelchair access, is so expensive that we added another $100,000. This playground was funded through the overnight stays of tourists."

What emerged is a fully accessible, sensory-friendly play space with equipment designed to stimulate the vestibular and proprioceptive systems – balance and receptor areas in the body – that are crucial for children's physical and sensory development, especially for students with sensory processing differences.

That includes teeter-totters, balance beams, tunnel crawls, climbing walls, swings of all kinds, crash pads, spinners, and more – all installed on a rubberized surface to allow for wheelchair mobility and safe play.

"It's an inclusive playground for all students of all ability levels," Berkeley County school superintendent Dr. Anthony Dixon said during the ribbon-cutting ceremony. "Students wanted to help others, and now we're watching that vision come to life."

And it may not stop at DIS.

Dixon said, "Our students are hearing about these positive opportunities to make a difference, and they are latching onto it. Other schools want to replicate this, which will create more partnerships and more opportunities to build playgrounds like this for all of our students."

For Principal Blanchard, who helped guide the student council through the process, seeing the finished playground was deeply meaningful.

"We are so blessed that Josh Whitley and county council supported the initiative for us to create a more inclusive play space for our students," she said. "The items selected were recommended as pieces that have already been proven to be popular play structures and which allow for vestibular and proprioceptive input."





PROVIDED BY LAURA BLANCHARD

Above: Students, staff, and members of Berkeley County Council gather during the ribbon cutting of a new inclusive playground at Daniel Island School in May, which was a student-led initiative that turned into reality.

Left: The installation of a new inclusive playground at Daniel Island School will allow all students to climb, swing, slide, and play together in time for the start of the school year.

Beyond the sensory design and equipment specs, Blanchard emphasized the heart of the project.

"This is the culmination of a lot of hard work. It's representative of students' voices being raised in a positive way," she said.

"We tell the kids all the time: you have a dream, share it. You're going to find that many people will come alongside you to help put feet to your dreams, and that's exactly what this represents."

As new and returning DIS students step onto campus for the first time this school year, they'll also be stepping into a new kind of inclusive play area, with the hope that nobody gets left behind.

"Everybody had joy in their hearts working on this project," Whitley said. "The facilities, the school – it's just a tremendous group of adults who empowered students to get this done. It's pretty incredible."

And for the children, it's a daily reminder to dream big and speak up, and they just might change the world – or at least, the playground.

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BE's Quinn Mahoney to play at Campbell; DI basketball standout shines at tourney

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Quinn Mahoney's athletic ability and excellent work habits continue to pay dividends.

Mahoney, Bishop England High School's record-setting quarterback, recently committed to play for Campbell University, in Buies Creek, North Carolina.

The university, with an enrollment of 5,000 students, is a private Christian institution.

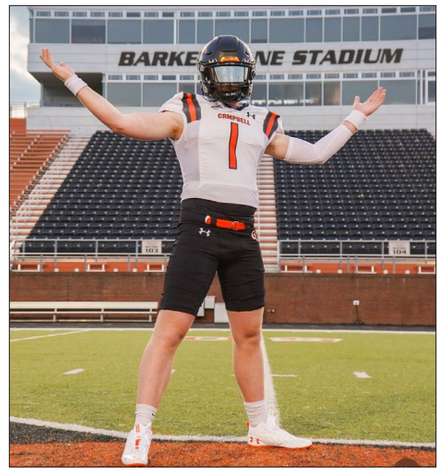
Mahoney chose the Camels over Kent State, Central Michigan, and Akron universities.

Mahoney began his career at Oceanside Collegiate but transferred to Bishop England in time for his junior year. The 6-foot-3, 215-pounder directed a team that won just two games in 2023 to a 9-3 record and the Region 6-AAAA championship in 2024.

He passed for 2,461 yards and 23 touchdowns and just missed topping 3,000 yards in total offense.

"Quinn bought into the weight room and changed his body this offseason," coach Logan Hall said. "He also has worked all summer throwing with the guys so they are all on the same page.

"I'm expecting a great year (from him)," Hall continued. "He's a leader on and off the field."



CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Former Bishop England quarterback and standout Quinn Mahoney will play for the Campbell University Camels this fall in Buies Creek, North Carolina.

Campbell University is in its second era of football. The original program lasted from 1925 until it was shuttered because of the onset of the Korean War in 1950.

The football program was restarted in 2008 and is classified as an NCAA Division I–AA/Football Championship Series entry. The Camels competed in the Pioneer League from 2008-2017 and moved into the Big South in 2018 for a four-year stay.

The Camels currently compete in the Coastal Athletic Association.

MACKEY SHINES IN HOOPS

The Oceanside Collegiate Academy basketball team will welcome one of the top incoming freshmen in the state when classes start next week: Jackson Mackey.

Mackey, a Daniel Island resident, played on two travel teams this summer.

Mackey recently competed in the AAU 14U World Basketball Championship at Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports and was one of the bigger stories in Orlando, Florida, the week of the tourney.

He scored 84 points, and his team finished sixth out of 64 teams.

He's also a national tournament champion.

Mackey will play in an athletic program that is one of the top in the state. The Carlisle Cup is given to the top athletically performing schools in each classification, and the Landsharks won the Class AA title by claiming more state titles than any other school in the Palmetto State during the 2024-25 academic year with eight state championships.

FOOTBALL SCRIMMAGES

Both Philip Simmons and Bishop England high schools will be busy in the late days of summer in preparation for season-opening games on Friday, Aug. 29.

The Iron Horses were scheduled to scrimmage Socastee, Cross, and Georgetown High Schools on Thursday, Aug. 7, and also compete in the Berkeley County Jamboree on Friday, Aug. 15, at Berkeley High. Philip Simmons will scrimmage the host team, the Berkeley Stags.

Bishop England was set to scrimmage Lucy Beckham High School on Aug. 7 and compete in the Charleston County School District's Dave Spurlock Jamboree on Aug. 15. The Bishops will scrimmage Wando High School in an exhibition that will feature 12 teams.



Local flounder population in decline



fishing trends

GREG PERALTA

The other day, Brody, the amazing fish-finding and stock-trading dog, asked me why we don't catch flounder anymore. I explained that flounder populations in North Carolina and South Carolina are in decline, so there are fewer flounder available for us to catch.

Then I added that if he were better at finding flounder, we would most certainly catch more. Brody found this comment to be offensive. He responded, saying that he finds plenty of flounder, but I am awful at catching them!

After a couple of hours and an extra-large bag of beef jerky, Brody and I started talking again. Pro tip: If your fishing partner also manages a portion of your investment portfolio, do not make them mad. Your net worth will decline faster than the flounder population.

With financial disaster averted, Brody and I decided to go fishing. We launched the skiff two hours before low tide. Our plan was to target flounder in small creeks that drained over oysters.

Brody told me that flounder like to lie at the base of the oyster bars and ambush fish and shrimp. Rather than fish every small creek, I drove the boat until Brody jumped on the front deck next to the trolling motor. This is his signal to fish here.

I deployed the trolling motor and cast a Z-Man Finesse TRD into the creek mouth. A trout ate the lure. Then another trout, and another. Brody shook his head and took this as evidence that I am awful at catching flounder. However, Brody did not leave the front deck, so he was pretty sure there was a flounder in the creek mouth. I believed him and kept on fishing.



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Smiles from Capt. Greg and Brody after an exhaustive, yet productive, search for a fleeting flounder. Capt. Greg reports that the flounder populations in North and South Carolina are in decline.

As we approached low tide, the water draining out of the creek slowed down, and the trout bite turned off. I began to sweat from the heat and the pressure to catch a flounder.

Just when I was about to throw in the towel, a flounder ate my lure. It was not particularly large, but Brody and I were ecstatic.

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Several DI and Cainhoy projects under review

Here are the developments before the various City of Charleston boards and committees this week, as well as results, if any, from the prior week's items specific to Daniel Island and the Cainhoy area. More detailed agendas and results can be found at charleston-sc.gov/agendacenter.

UPCOMING: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Aug. 7: Cainhoy Del Webb - Site plan revisions for a sales center at 2301 Bay Strip Drive, Cainhoy. TMS B2620000028. Owner: Pulte Home Company LLC. Applicant: Thomas & Hutton. Contact: Steven Roach at roach.s@tandh.com.

Aug. 7: Take 5 Oil - Site plan for Take 5 Oil change facility and parking lot at 404 Spring Hollow Drive, Cainhoy. TMS: B2670000071. Owner: Clayton Construction. Applicant: Advanced Engineering Consultants Zoning. Contact: Russ Folsom at russf@aecengineering.com.

Aug. 7: Marshes at Daniel Island Phases 1A/1B - Revisions to road construction plans for 56-lot at 146 Fairbanks Drive, Daniel Island. TMS: B2710000010. Owner: Stanley Martin Companies LLC. Applicant: Seamon, Whiteside & Associates, Inc. Contact: Zachary Wortman, zwortman@seamonwhiteside.com.

RESULTS: TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

July 17: Atlantic St. Thomas - Concept plan for future development on 7.3 acres at 2815 Clements Ferry Road. TMS: B2710002169. Submittal Review: #2. Owner: Yomtov Inc. Applicant: Sitecast, LLC. Contact: Jacob Cordray, jcordray@sitecastsc.com. *Results: Open pending delivery of stormwater comments.*

July 17: Towne at Cooper River R/W Extension - Proposed revisions to previously approved preliminary plat and road construction plans for three lots on 29.915 acres at 2620 Clements Ferry Road TMS: B2710001035. Submittal Review: #1. Owner: Cato Holdings LLC Applicant: Seamon, Whiteside & Associates, Inc. Contact: Spencer Plowden, splowden@seamonwhiteside.com. *Results: Revise and Return.*

July 24: The Pointe at Governor's Cay - Preliminary plat and road construction plan for 55 units on 4.25 acres in Cainhoy. TMS: B2710002133. Submittal Review: #2. Owner: Middle Street Residential LLC. Applicant: Sitecast, LLC. Zoning: General Business. Contact: Jacob Cordray, jcordray@sitecastsc.com. *Results: Open pending delivery of stormwater comments.*

RESULTS: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – ZONING

July 15: Wando Creek Lane - Cainhoy - Request amendment under Sec. 54-110(f) of the Special Exception granted in October 2015 allowing up to 180 dry stack slips. Request to add another 72 dry stack slips. TMS 263-00-02-045 and -037SR. Owner: SHM Charleston Boatyard, LLC. Applicant: G. Trenholm Walker. *Results: Deferred by applicant before meeting.*

RESULTS: DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Aug. 4: 2274 Clements Ferry Rd. - Cainhoy - Appeal to staff's decision to deny a revision of storage building design at conceptual level. TMS: 2670000148. Owner: Michael McAlhany Applicant: Michale McAlhany. *Results: Not available prior to print.*

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YOGA AT WATERFRONT PARK
Yoga with Bella, Aug. 9 & Sept. 13, Waterfront Park, 9:30-10:15 am. Free. Bring a yoga mat, water bottle.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY: POINT HOPE
Back to School Food Truck Friday, Aug. 22, 5:30-7:30 pm at The Hub, 1049 Point Hope Parkway, featuring City Sliders food truck, live music, arts & crafts, lawn games.

CONCERT IN THE PARK UPDATE
The annual Concert in the Park, postponed earlier this year due to weather, has been rescheduled for Saturday, Sept. 6, 5-9 pm.

RED BALLOON YARD SALE
Daniel Island Annual Fall Red Balloon Yard Sale, Sat., Sept. 20, 7 am-1 pm at homes throughout Daniel Island.

DANIEL ISLAND TOASTMASTERS
Toastmasters meetings are free, open to the public. Next virtual meetings scheduled for Aug. 9, & Aug. 23. Contact Bud 843-284-6291 or clare@eduave.com.

ECCO FOOD DRIVE
Drop off canned goods, pasta, rice, and other non-perishables at Edward Jones (8:30-4), 895 Island Park Dr Suite A2.

LOWCOUNTRY STREET GROCERY
Fri. at Guggenheim Terrace, 11 am-4 pm.

REGULAR MEETINGS

AA MEETINGS - CLEMENTS FERRY
King's Cross Church: Mon. and Fri. - 7:30 pm. Women's only meeting: Tues. - 8 pm. 2011 Clements Ferry Rd. 843-723-9633.

AA MEETINGS - DANIEL ISLAND
Providence Church: Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am. Church of the Holy Spirit: Speaker Mtg. Sat., 7 pm; 12 Step Mtg. Wed. 7:30 pm.

AL-ANON Al-Anon, a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics, meets every Thurs., 7 pm at Providence Church on Daniel Island.

BONE HEALTH TRAINING CLASS
Tues. & Thurs. 4:30-5:30 pm. Strength and Balance for Bone Health class. All ages and levels. The class is $10 and is being held at the DI Rec Center. Contact: 843-216-6366.

CRAFTERNOONS Crafternoons with Edie every 1st Fri. of the month from 1-3 pm at the Daniel Island Library. Tim Boyle at 843-471-2952 or timothy.boyle@berkeleycountysc.gov.

DANIEL ISLAND GOP CLUB 3rd Mon., 8am, Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. Free.

DI INSHORE FISHING CLUB Monthly, 3rd Tues. of month. Family friendly. Call/text Bill at 919-418-3220, danielislandfishingclub.com.

DANIEL ISLAND LIBRARY EVENTS
Capt. Daniell's Pipers Recorder Grp: Tues. 1:30-2:30 pm; Needleworkers: 2nd & 4th Tues., 11:15 am; Deepthinkers Discussion Grp: Wed., 10:30 am - noon; Social Bridge Club: every Monday 1-4 pm.; Writers Group: 1st Wed., 4:30-6 pm.

DANIEL POINTE CHAPEL Non-denominational Christian worship services in the Theater of the Daniel Pointe Retirement Community at 1:15 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sun. each month. 514 Robert Daniel Drive. Deacon Ed Dyckman at dyckman.edward@gmail.com and 843-367-5647.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE Duplicate Bridge, ACBL sanctioned. DI Rec Center, 160 Fairbanks Dr. Weds, noon-3 pm. Space limited, reservations required, 843-224-6778/843-209-1471.

EXCHANGE CLUB OF DANIEL ISLAND 4th Tues., 5:30 pm, Daniel Pointe Retirement Community theater, 514 Robert Daniel Dr., dixchangeclub.org.

MASTER GARDENER Q&A Certified Clemson MGs are available at the DI Library on the first Mon. of month, 4-6 pm, to answer gardening questions and provide information sheets. Soil samples, at least two cups in a sealed plastic bag, are tested at Clemson University for $6 per sample, payable by check or credit card only.

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REPUBLICAN LADIES OF DI meets 1st Fri. of mo., 8:30-10 am. Call or text for venue info and RSVP, 714-337-6944.

ROTARY CLUBS The Daniel Island Rotary Club meets most Weds. mornings at 7:15 am and on the second Tues. of each month at noon. The Cainhoy Rotary Club meets the 1st and 3rd Tues. of the month at 6 pm. Contact: Ben Laaper, ben.laaper@gmail.com.

SOUTH BERKELEY DEMOCRATS
Meets at 4 pm on 3rd Sun., Daniel Pointe Retirement Community. berkeleydems.com.

TAI CHI CLASSES DI Library Tues., 10 am & Fri., 9 am.

THE INFINITE JUKEBOX A bi-monthly multimedia discussion group for music lovers. All music genres including: Country/western, baroque and electronia. 2nd & 4th Thurs. at the DI Library from 11 am - noon.

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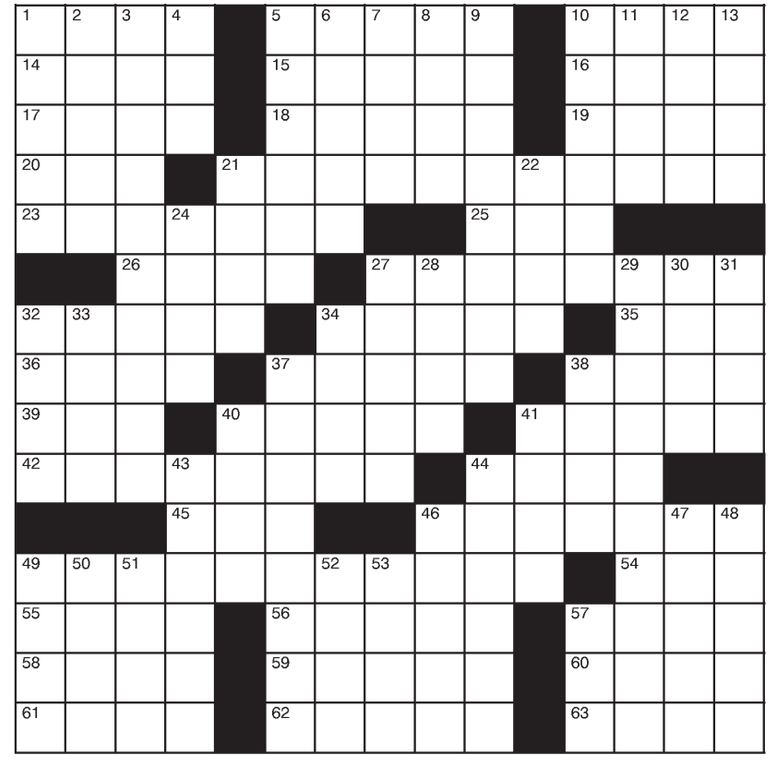
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15 City near SAC headquarters
16 After the bell
17 After-bath wear
18 Piercing light
19 Rubberneck
20 Ring decision, for short
21 It couldn't hurt!
23 Part of IRS
25 "Isn't ___ Lovely"; song
26 Bus driver's collection
27 Charmed
32 Type of call or shave
34 Spread asphalt
35 Dos Passos tyrilogy
36 Playwright Moss
37 Imploded
38 Italian wine town
39 Business abbreviation
40 Designer Perry
41 "Star Wars" producer
42 Unnecessary
44 Autumn
45 ___ carte
46 Small burgers
49 Sixties slogan
54 Author Fleming
55 Spring ___
56 Pigeon homes
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58 One of the Brontës
59 Bathsheba's first husband
60 Chicago area, with The
61 Duo
62 Touchy
63 Tourist stopovers

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43 Pam, of "Mork and Mindy"
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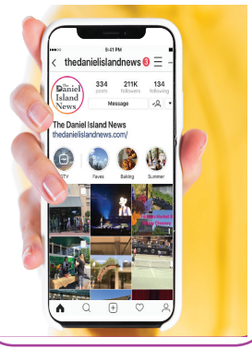
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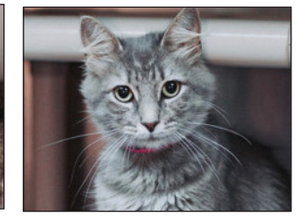
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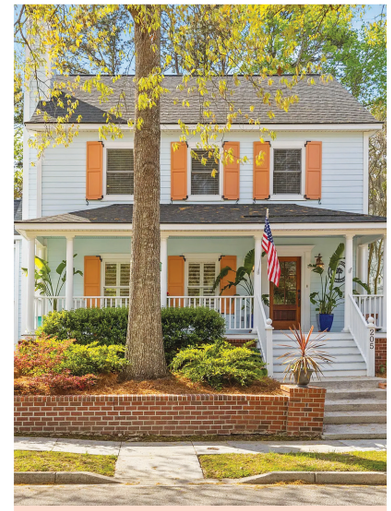
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